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# THE SIMMONS FAMILY

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Esther Minerva Simmons and Baxendale Memorial Foundation at Harvard

John Simmons, Founder of Simmons College

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St. Pieter's Kirck, Leyden, Holland where the Simmons family and the Mayflower pilgrims worshipped while in Holland.

"Here lived, taught, and died-John Robinson, M. A. (Cambridge." Their pastor

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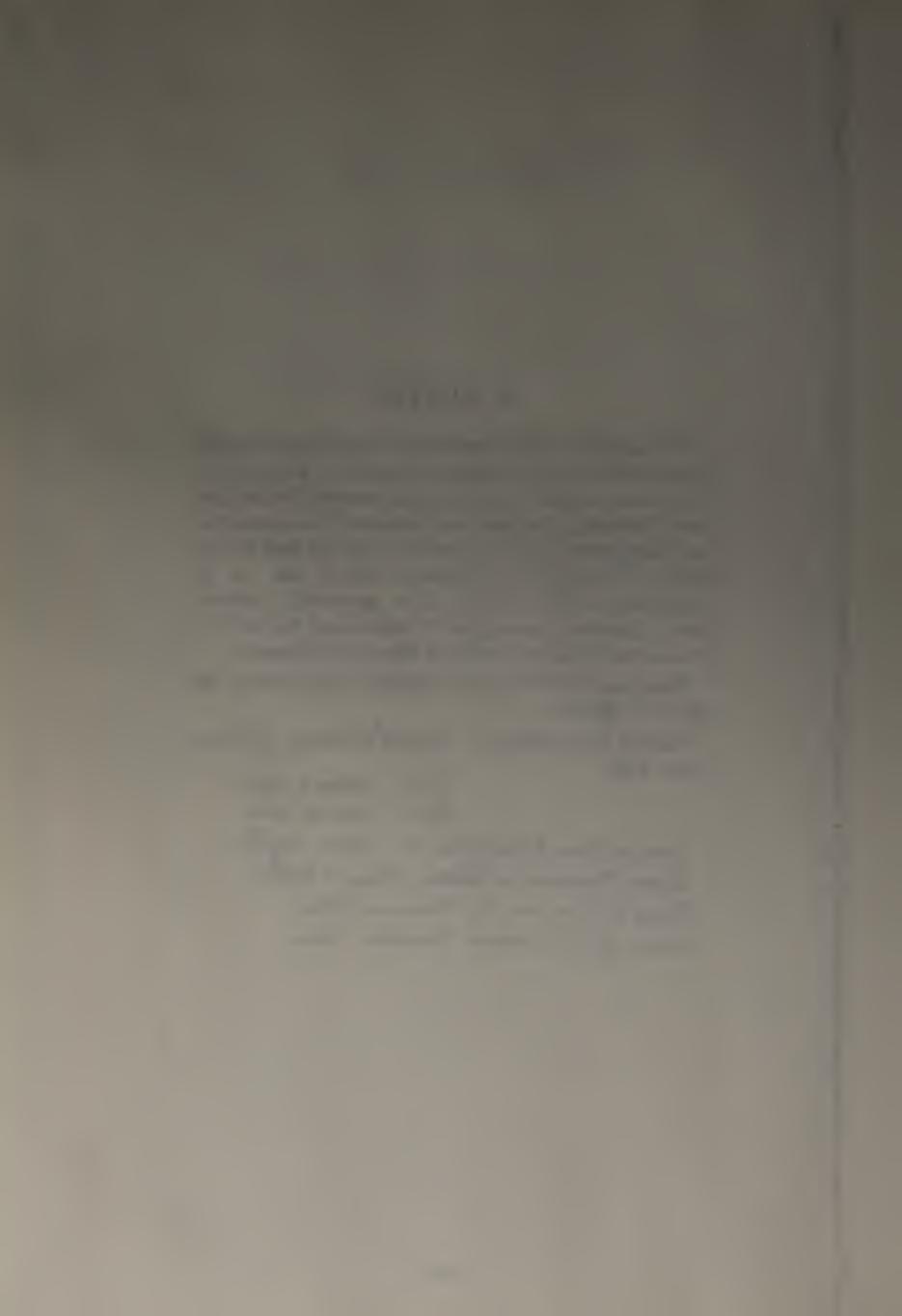
This account of the members of the Simmons family (descendants of the pilgrims of the ship, "Fortune" of 1621) who have attended or been connected with Harvard University includes four lawyers, three educators, two theologians, seven doctors of medicine, two famous artists, (Who's Who in America, 1930-1) four in all mentioned in Who's Who, three successful business men, a founder of a college for women, and the founder of an educational memorial at Harvard University.

This pamphlet has been compiled particularly for my five nephews:

Chester Boice Allen, Jr. - Phillip Academy, Andover, Mass. 1926.

A. B., Harvard, 1930. Med., Harvard, 1934.

George Oliver Richardson, Jr., China. (Tiensin)
Robert Simmons Richardson, China. (Tiensin)
Hugh L. Simmons, Jr., Worcester, Mass.
Robert Allan Simmons, Worcester, Mass.



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Judge William Simmons, (Elisha, (5), Joshua, (4), Ebenezer, (3) Aaron, (2), Moses, (1) son of Elisha and Martha (Hersey) Simmons, was born at Hanover, Mass., July 9,1782. His boyhood home was about one mile south of the Assinippi Church. William Simmons was the first of the Simmons family to attend Havard College. When he entered college in 1800, William Simmons must have seen The Yard, very similar to the view pictured in Paul Revere's engraving. His course of study included Horace, Livy, Sallust, Cicero, (de oratione), Homer, Zenophon, Rhetoric, Elocution, Declamation, Doddredje's lectures, Arithmetic, Algebra and a little other mathematics, together with Logic, Ethics, Metaphysics, Chronology, History, Hebrew or French. His college years were in the days of Benjamin Waterhouse, professor of Physics, Aaron Dexter, professor of Chemistry, of Samuel Webber, professor of Mathmatics and Natural Philosophy, and of Eliphalet Pearson, professor of Hebrew, etc. He received his A.B. degree in 1804, during the closing years of Joseph Willard's presidency, and his A. M. degree in 1839.

After graduating from Harvard, Mr. Simmons studied law, practicing in Boston and he was for many years, Judge of the Police Court.

Judge Simmons married on Sept. 11,1810, Lucia Hammatt, daughter of Priscilla Le Barron and great, great, grand-daughter of Dr. Francis Le Barron who came to Plymouth, Massachusetts, about 1690.

Judge William and Lucia (Hammatt) Simmons had the following children:

- 1. William Hammatt Simmons, Born-May 11, 1812. Died-Aug. 10, 1841
- 2. Rev. George Frederick Simmons, Born-Mar. 24, 1814. Died-Sept. 5, [1855]
- 3. Henry Howland Simmons, Born-May 29, 1818. Died-Dec. 13, 1848
- 4. Charles Francis Simmons, Born-Jan. 27, 1821. Died-Feb. or Mar. 1862
- 5. Martha Ann Simmons, Born-Jan. 16, 1835. Died-May 11, 1835

Judge William Simmons, Died-Jan. 7, 1843.

William Hammatt Simmons (William, (6), Elisha, (5), Joshua, (4), Ebenezer, (3), Aaron, (2), Moses, (1), the son of Judge William and Lucia (Hammatt) Simmons, was born on May 11, 1812 and died



August 10, 1841. William Hammatt was at Harvard during the presidency of John T. Kirkland and of Josiah Quincy. He graduated second in a class of sixty-five (65). He received his A.B. degree in 1831 and A.M.degree in 1834. He also won the Bowdoin prize at graduation. He was instructor of elocution at Harvard from 1835 to 1837. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. The class of 1831 included several distinguished men. Among them was John Lothrop Morley. Mr. Simmons died only ten years after his graduation from Harvard, August 10, 1841. He married in Cuba. One son died young. He tried to nurse a patient of yellow fever on board boat returning from Cuba, and died of it himself at the Old Manse, Concord, Massachusetts.

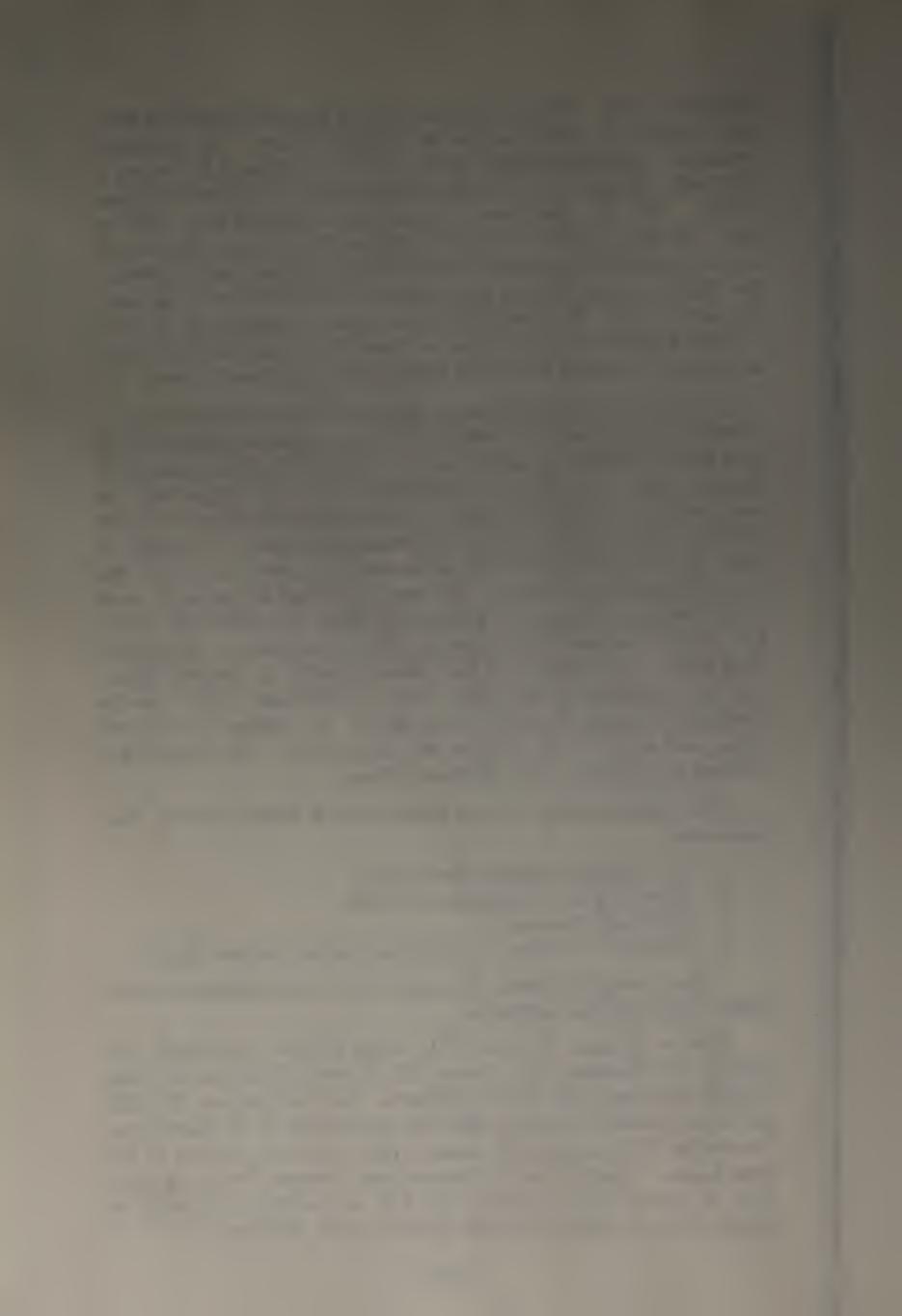
Rev. George Frederick Simmons, the son of Judge William and Lucia (Hammatt) Simmons, and brother of William Hammatt Simmons, was born March 24,1814. He graduated from Harvard in 1832, winning the Bowdoin prize with his A. B. degree and the A. M. degree later. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. He was fourth in a class of seventy two (72). He graduated from the Theological School at Harvard in 1838. He preached vehemently in the south against slavery and was almost lynched for so doing. He came north and did pastorial work at the Unitarian Church at Springfield, Mass., and Waltham, Mass. Rev. James Freeman Clarke gave the ordination sermon. Mary Ripley, the daughter of Rev. Samuel Ripley of Concord, Mass., who was minister at the first parish of Waltham. Rev. George Frederick Simmons lived for years at the Old Manse at Concord, Mass., and some of his children were born there. His sermons and writings may be seen at the Widener Library.

The children of Rev. George Frederick and Mary (Ripley) Simmons were:

- 1. Dr. William Hammatt Simmons
- 2. Edward Emerson Simmons (Artist)
- 3. Elizabeth Simmons
- 4. Henry G. Simmons. (Lived and died at Bangor, Maine)

Rev. George Frederick Simmons died of tuberculosis at the Old Manse, Concord, Massachusetts.

Charles Francis Simmons (7), Judge William (6), Elisha (5), Joshua (4), Ebenezer (3), Aaron (2), Moses (1), the son of Judge William and Lucia (Hammatt) Simmons, was born January 27, 1821 and died February or March, 1862. He received his A. B. degree from Harvard in 1855, as one of the class of 1841. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. Charles Francis Simmons was a lawyer. During the Civil War, he served in the Cavalry; was lost at sea during February or March, 1862, en route from New Bedford, Mass. to Fayal.



Dr. Gustavus Lincoln Simmons (7), [Samuel (6), Samuel (5), Moses (4), Moses (3), Aaron (2), Moses (1),] the son of Samuel and Priscilla (Lincoln) Simmons was born at Hingham, Mass., March 13, 1832. He was descended from the Cudworths and Woodworths of Scituate, Mass. When Mr. Simmons was eighteen years old, he went to California (1850) but returned to Boston (1852) and entered Harvard Medical (then called a department of Harvard). This was the first year (1852) of Oliver Wendell Holmes' lecture-ship in Anatomy. Thirty years after, when Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes said goodbye to his last class in the Harvard Medical, Dr. Gustavus Crocker Simmons, a member of the class called this fact (his father, Gustavus L. Simmons (7), membership in his first class) to his attention. Dr. G. C. Simmons still prizes the signed photograph given to him at that time by Dr. Holmes.

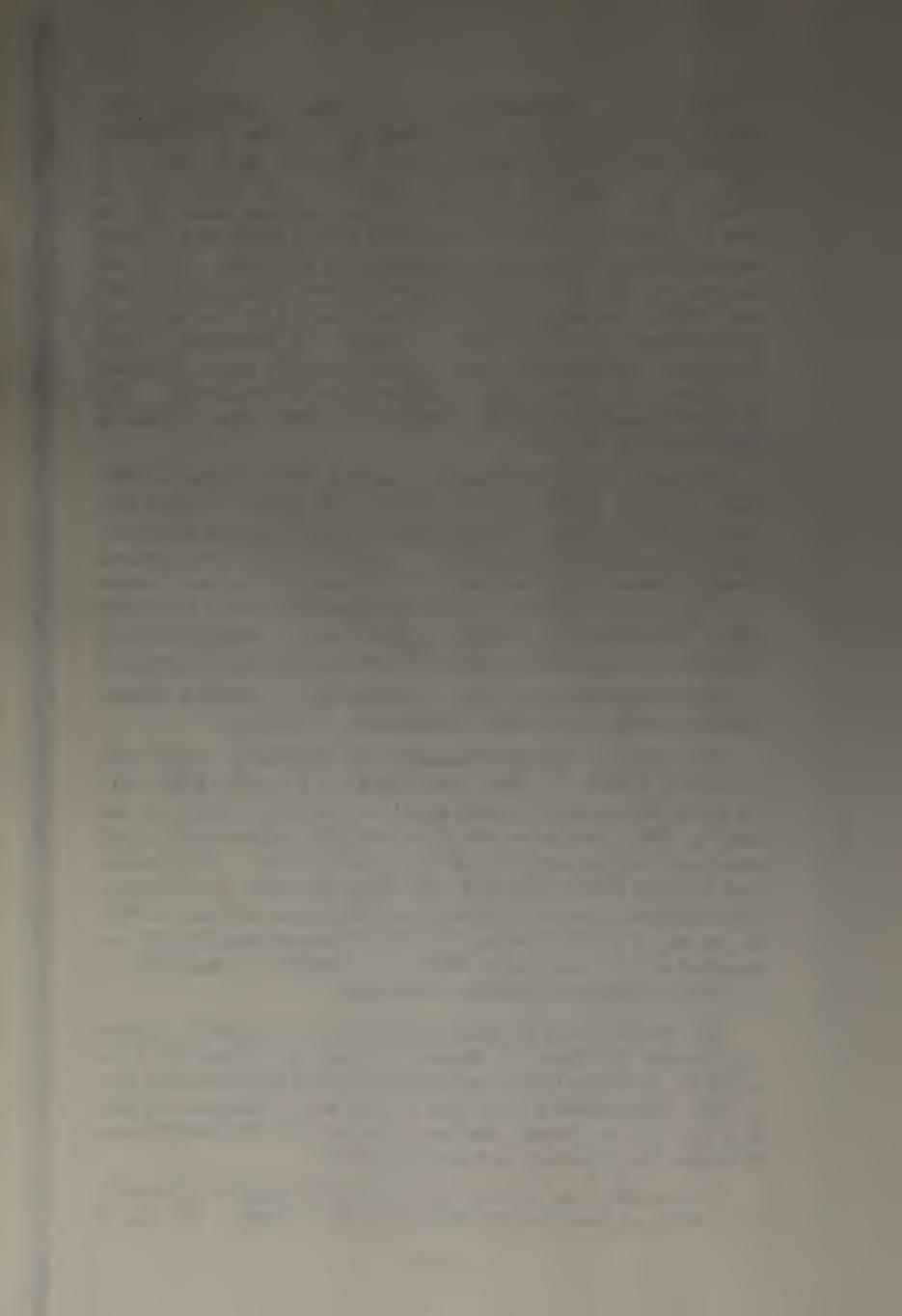
Dr.Gustavus Lincoln Simmons married Celia Crocker in 1862. They had four children, two sons and two daughters: Caroline Simmons, 1867, Dr.Gustavus Crocker Simmons, 1863, Dr.Samuel Ewer Simmons, 1874, and Celia Crocker, 1869. From 1855 to 1911, Dr. Gustavus Lincoln Simmons practiced medicine continually in the same community, Sacramento, California. In this long period, he never held public office. Yet he held many positions of prominence in medical circles; in 1895, he served as president of the California State Medical Association.

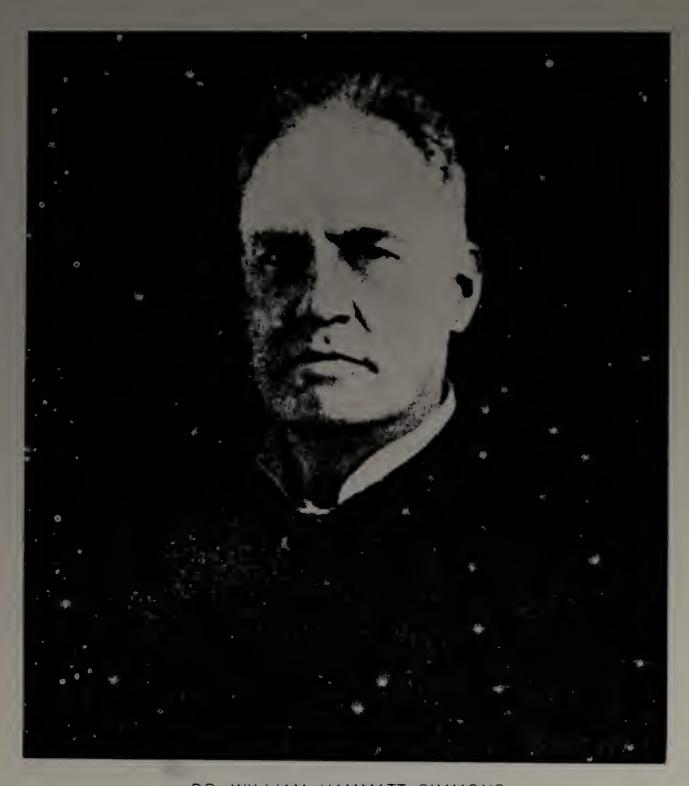
Both of Dr. Simmons' sons are graduates of Harvard Medical and have practiced with him in Sacramento, California.

Dr. Gustavus Crocker Simmons (8), [Gustavus Lincoln (7), Samuel (6), Samuel (5), Moses (4), Moses (3), Aaron (2), Moses 1),] the son of Dr. Gustavus Lincoln and Celia (Crocker) Simmons, was born in 1863; married in 1895, Gertrude Miller of Sacramento, California, and has two daughters and five grand-children. He graduated from Harvard Medical School in 1885 and thereafter for thirty-five years practiced medicine in Sacramento, California, retiring in 1920. He has served as City Trustee, 1911; City Commissioner, 1915-29, and president of City Commission, 1915-17. In 1893-95, he was Major in the National Guard of the State of California.

Dr. Samuel Ewer Simmons (8) [Gustavus Lincoln (7), Samuel (6), Samuel (5) Moses (4), Moses (3), Aaron (2), Moses (1),] the son of Dr. Gustavus Lincoln and Celia (Crocker) Simmons, was born in 1874. He married Evelyn Crow of San Jose, California and they have two children, Samuel Bradford Simmons and Elizabeth Lincoln Simmons, (both married) and one grandchild.

Dr. Samuel Ewer Simmons graduated from Stanford University, A.B. 1895, and from Harvard Medical, M.D. in 1899. He was in





DR. WILLIAM HAMMATT SIMMONS Harvard, A.B., 1869; Wurzburg, M.D., 1872



family practice in Sacramento, California, from 1899 to 1923, when he accepted and continues in the position of Vice-President and Medical Director of a large life insurance company, (The California State Life).

Dr. Samuel Ewer Simmons served as a Captain\_in the Medical Service during the World War.

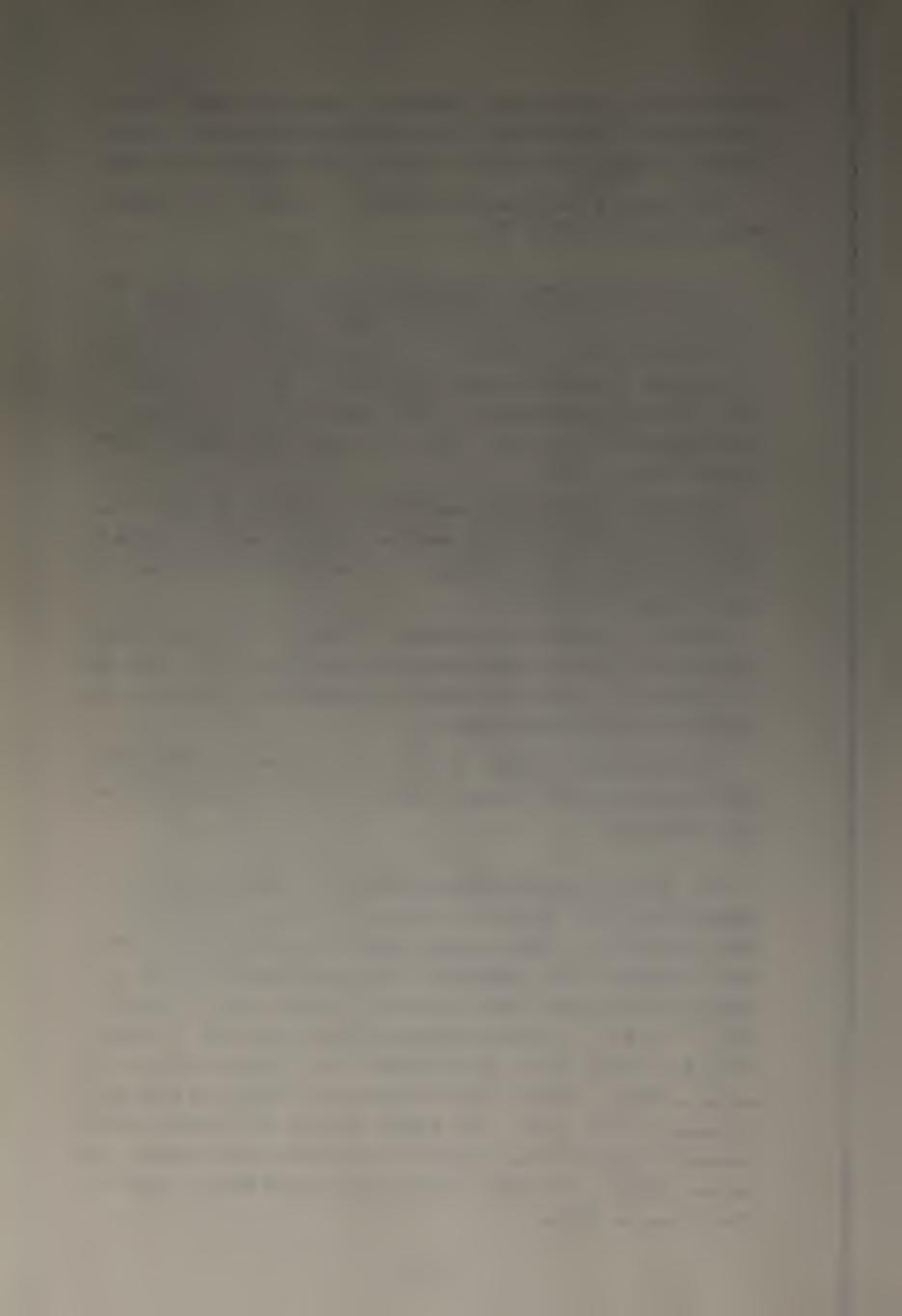
Prof. William Cowper Simmons (8), [Charles (7), Aaron (6), Aaron (5), William (4), William (3), John (2), Moses (1)]; the son of Charles and Eliza (Perrige) Simmons was born September 2, 1841, at Wareham, Massachusetts, and died in New York City, March 24, 1907. He married December 29, 1868, Rebecca Brent, and they had two daughters and one son. The son's name was Henry Chasset Simmons, born in 1875.

Mr, Simmons graduated from Harvard in 1868 (A.B. summa cum laude). He was first scholar in his class of eighty students; elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He was professor of Greek at the University of Vermont from 1873 to 1877.

One of his classmates has written, "When we were in college, Simmons and his room-mate, Morrell, associated very little with the rest of the class. Simmons' character and ability were high, but his disposition seemed to be reserved."

Through Mercy Pabodie, Mr. Simmons was descended from John and Priscilla Alden and through Abigail Church from Richard Warren of the Mayflower.

Dr. William Hammatt Simmons (8), [Rev. George Frederick (7). Judge William (6), Elisha (5), Joshua (4), Ebenezer (3), Aaron (2). Moses (1)], the son of Rev. George Frederick and Mary (Ripley) Simmons, was born in 18—; died 1920. Dr. Simmons received his A.B. degree from Harvard in 1869, and his M.D. degree from Wurzburg in 1872. He was a prominent athlete at Harvard and was a member of the first rowing crew to go to England. Dr. Simmons married and settled at Bangor, Maine, where he became one of the most influential physicians in the state. He helped organize the Eastern Maine General Hospital and was a member of its staff for many years. He had no children. His widow (1931) still lives near Bangor, Maine at North Hermon, Maine.



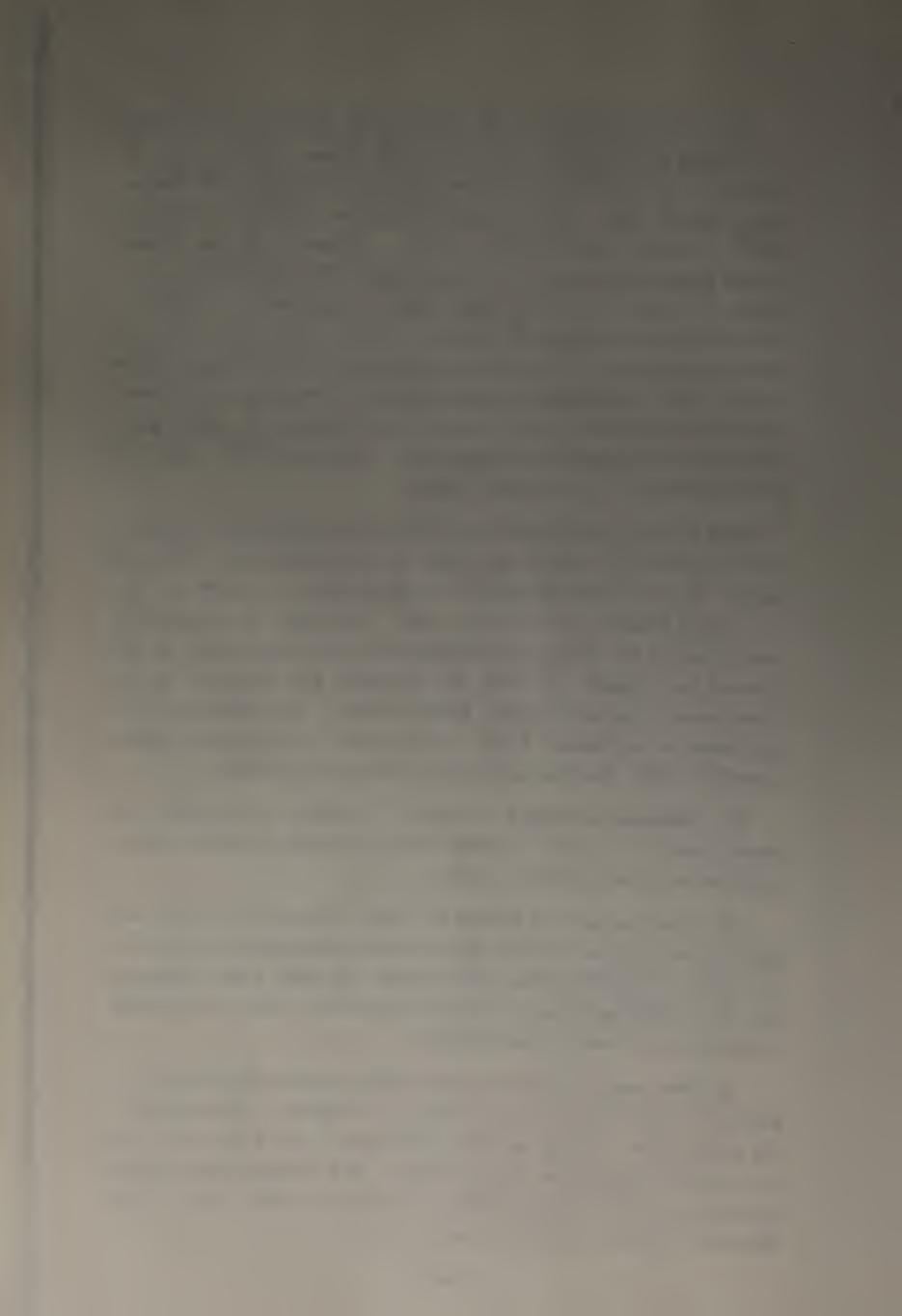
John Franklin Simmons (8), [Perez (7), Ebenezer (6), Elisha (5), Joshua (4), Ebenezer (3), Aaron (2), Moses (1)] the son of Perez and Adeline (Jones) Simmons, was born at Hanover, Massachusetts, June 26, 1851. He was educated at the Assinippi Institute, Phillip Academy, Exeter, N.H., 1868-9. (Member of the Golden Branch Society and one of its Vice-Presidents) Harvard College, A.B. degree, 1873, and one and one-half years at Harvard Law School. While at Harvard College, Mr. Simmons took a high place both in studies and social life. He became a member of several prominent college societies. Mr. Simmons was a good debater and orator and was chosen class orator in his senior year, and President Charles W. Eliot gave him hearty congratulations on class day. His class (1873) was the first to graduate under President Eliot.

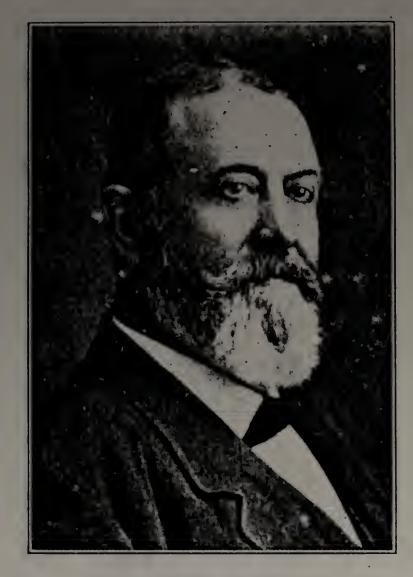
Before Mr. Simmons was sixteen, he was teaching school at Hanover and Marshfield Hills, Mass., and after his graduation from Harvard College, he was offered the assistant professorship of history at the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md. However, he accepted a proctor-ship at the college and studied one and one-half years at the Harvard Law School. In 1875, Mr. Simmons was admitted to the Massachusetts Bar at Plymouth, Massachusetts. He practised law for eight years in the firm of Keith and Simmons at Abington, Mass. From 1883-1894, his firm was known as Simmons and Pratt.

Mr. Simmons has served as director of banks and member of school boards. Gov. B. F. Butler offered him the Insurance Commissioner-ship but he did not accept.

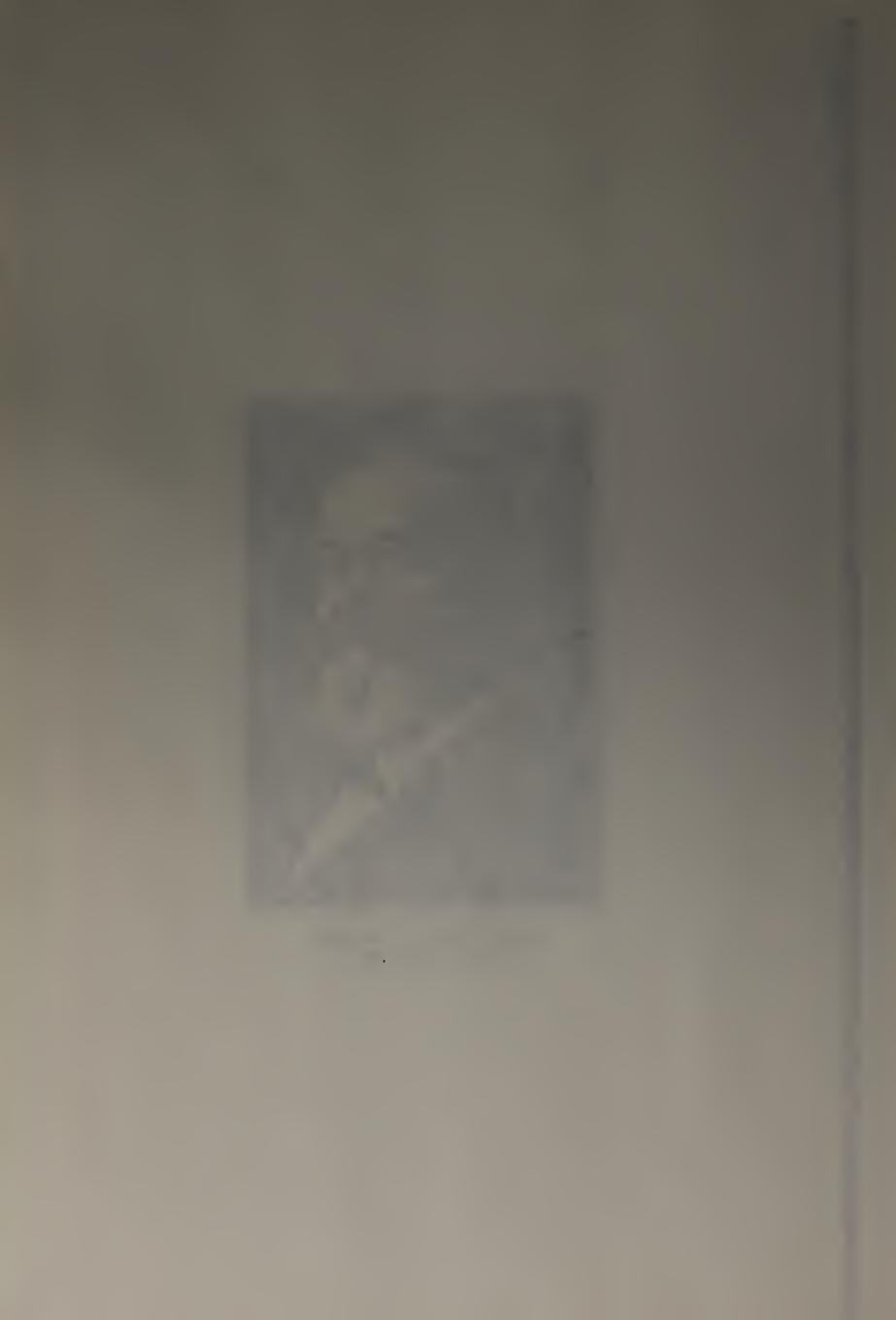
Mr. Simmons married Fannie F. Allen, January 10, 1877, and they had the following children; Henry Franklin Simmons, born June 21, 1878, Mary Folger Simmons, born October 29, 1880, Perez Simmons, (See Who's Who in America, 1930-31) born June 4, 1892, and Elizabeth Allen Simmons, born August 20, 1895.

Mr Simmons gave addresses before Bar Associations and was coauthor with Mr. Dwelly of the History of Hanover, Massachusetts. He died in 1908. It may be well to note that he was a descendant of John and Priscilla Alden, Thomas Rogers, and Richard Warren of the Mayflower, of Col. Benjamin Church, the Indian fighter and of Dr. Benjamin Richmond of Little Compton, R.I.





JOHN FRANKLIN SIMMONS Harvard, A.B., 1873





EDWARD EMERSON SIMMONS Famous Mural Painter Harvard, A.B., 1874



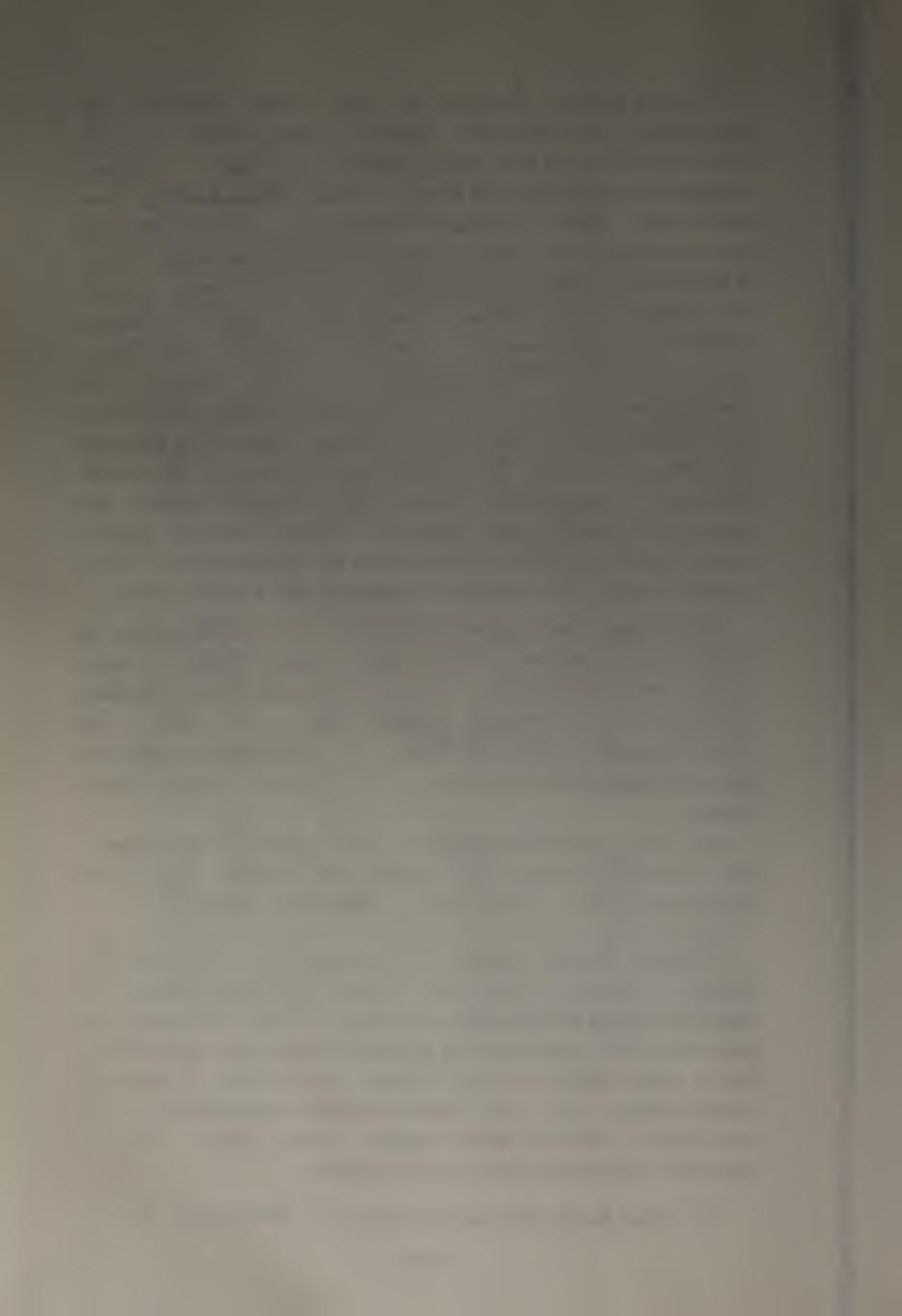
Edward Emerson Simmons (8), [Rev. George Frederick (7), Judge William (6), Elisha (5), Joshua (4), Ebenezer (3), Aaron (2), Moses (1) the son of Rev. George Frederick and Mary E. (Ripley) Simmons was born at the Old Manse, Concord, Massachusetts, October 27, 1852. He was educated at Harvard College, A.B., 1874, and at the Academie Julian under Lefebre, Boulanger and others. Some of his mural decorations may be seen at the State House, Boston, Massachusetts; Murals, Waldorf Astoria, New York; Court of Appeals, New York; Criminal Court, New York; the Capital, St. Paul, Minn.; Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.; and Astor Gallery. Mr. Simmons also did murals for the World's Fair at Chicago; The Panama Pacific Exposition, San Francisco, California. Many of his paintings have been reproduced by The Copley Print Company. The pencil drawing of his grandmother, Sarah Alden (Bradford) Ripley, the painting of his mother, Mary Emerson (Ripley) Simmons, Justice, and the Carpenter's Son as reproduced in his autobiography, "From Seven to Seventy," are delightful examples of Mr. Simmons' work.

Mr. Simmons was married twice; first to Vesta Schollenberger in 1880 in London, England. They had two sons: William Francis (Will), born at Elche, Spain, June 4, 1884, and George Bradford Simmons, born at Cornwall, England, December 6, 1886. He married secondly in 1903, New Haven, Conn., Alice Ralston Morton. They had one son, Peter Simmons, born November 11, 1905, at Paris, France.

Mr. Simmons has several clubs, as "The Lambs", the Player's Club. He makes his home in New York City, Roxbury, Conn., and at Baltimore, Md. (see Who's Who in America for 1930-31.)

Thornton Howard Simmons (9), [George W. (8), Cornelius (7), Benoni (6), John (5), Joseph (4), William (3), John (2), Moses (1)] the son of George Washington and Francis A. (Lord) Simmons was born April, 1856; graduated from Harvard College, A.B., class of 1880. He is a grand-nephew of John Simmons, the founder of Simmons College, Boston, Mass. Mr. Simmons has been connected for many years with the Packard Motor Company, Boston, Mass. He is a descendant of Richard Warren of the Mayflower.

Dr. Moses Rogers Simmons (8) [Perez (7), Ebenezer (6), Elisha



(5), Joshua (4), Ebenezer (3), Aaron (2), Moses (1)], the son of Perez and Adeline (Jones) Simmons, was born at Hanover, Massachusetts, November 15, 1857, and died in 1924. Dr. Simmons was graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1880, M. S. degree, and from the Harvard Medical School in 1882, M. D. degree. He married Ida M. Blatchford of Gloucester, Massachusetts, and lived in Brookline, Massachusetts.

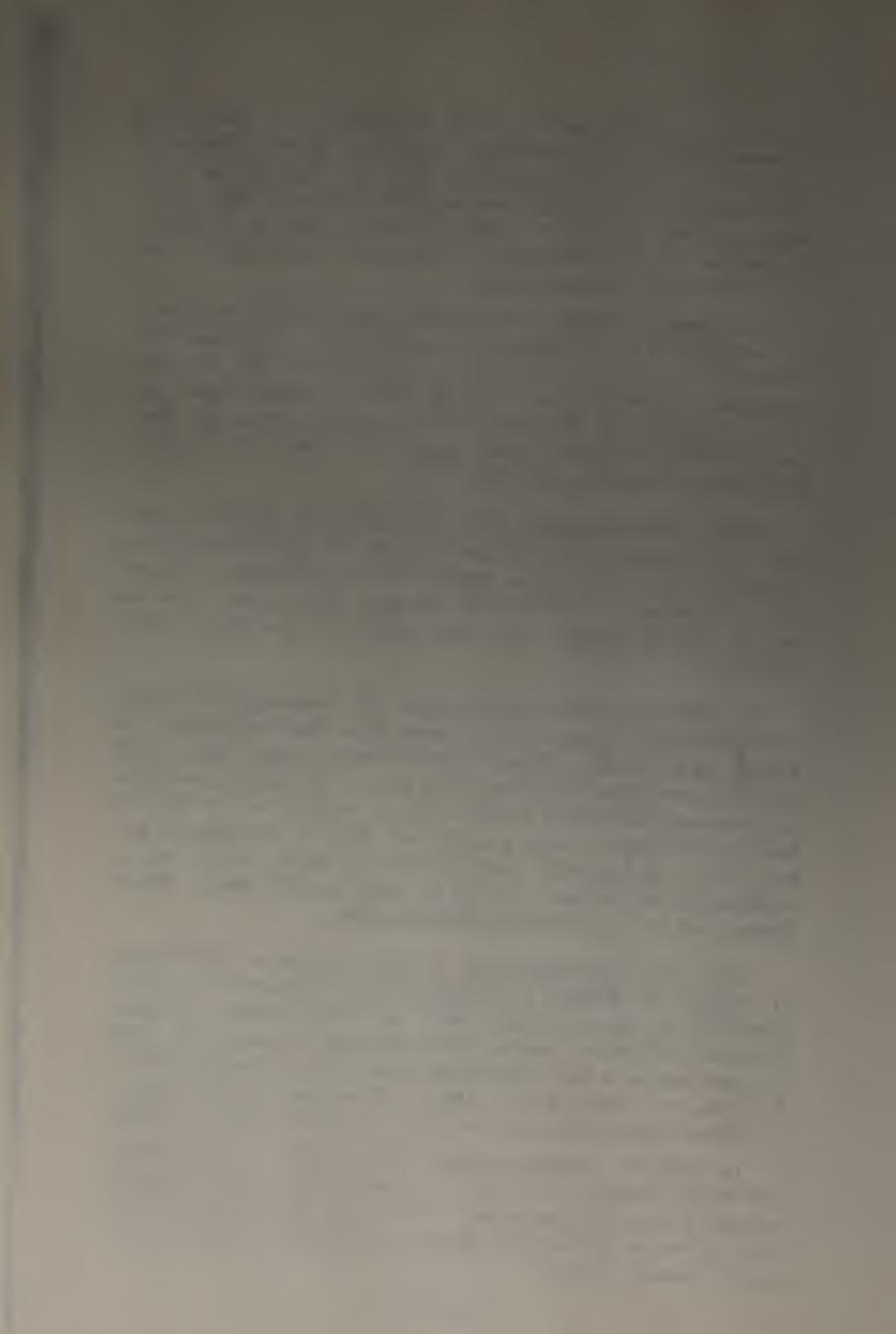
Dr. Simmons' father, Perez Simmons, was a well-known lawyer of Providence, R.I., and Hanover, Massachusetts, a graduate from Brown, A.B., and A.M., 1833. Through his father, Dr. Simmons was descended from John and Priscilla Alden, Thomas Rogers and Richard Warren of the Mayflower (1620), as well as from Col. Benjamin Church, the famous Indian fighter, and from Dr. Benjamin Richmond of Little Compton, R.I.

Walter Willard Simmons (9), [Edward M. (8), Seth (7), Benjamin? (6), Benjamin (5), William (4), John (2), Moses (1)] the son of Edward Miller and Louise Maria (Willard) Simmons. Walter Willard Simmons is a graduate of Harvard, A.B., 1886. He has lived in New Hampshire, and more recently in Brookline, Massachusetts.

Dr. Channing Chamberlain Simmons, (W.Channing) is a member of the Marshfield, Massachusetts, branch of the Simmons family. He was born at 90 Purckney Street, Boston, Massachusetts, February 20, 1877. His grandfather lived there. He is a son of W. Channing and Eleanor Simmons. He received his M.D. degree from Harvard in 1899. He has been instructor in surgery at Harvard, 1917-28, associate in surgery, 1928. He has written many articles on cancer, alone and in collaboration with others. He has an office at 255 Beacon Street, Boston, and lives in Brookline, Massachusetts.

Rev. Arthur Aborn Simmons, Jr., (9), [Arthur A. (8), Thomas (7), George (6). Ichabod (5), Benjamin (4), William (3), John (2), Moses (1)] the son of Arthur Aborn and Sarah Melinda (Wilson) Simmons was born at Grafton, Massachusetts, September 5, 1880. He was educated at the Grafton High school (1898), Worcester (1901), A.B., Harvard, (1905, S.T.B., 1914). He was one of the founders of the Trident Club at Harvard, formerly known as the Alpha Phi Sigma.

In 1904, Mr. Simmons visited France, England and Ireland; 1905-1910, salesman for Underwood and Underwood in England; assistant European manager and salesman in Great Britain; 1910-1912, in France, Holland and Scotland; 1912-15, Underwood salesman in Toronto, Canada.





WILLIAM FRANCIS SIMMONS and WIFE (Will Simmons)

Painter and Etcher Harvard, 1901-02



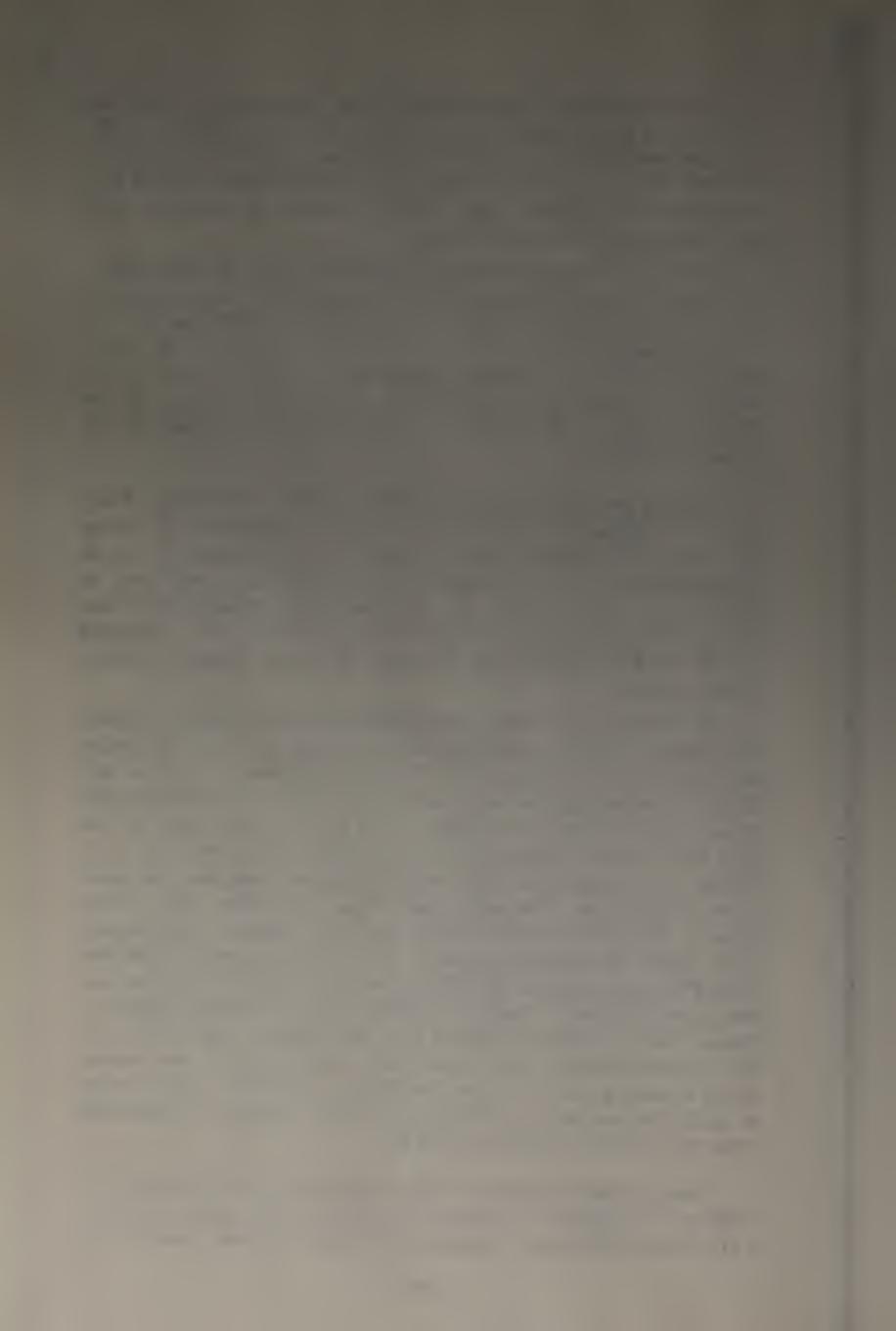
During the World War (1917-1919), Mr. Simmons was with the Y.M.C.A. in Russia and Siberia; in Czecho-Slovakia; 1920-1922, with the American Y.M.C.A. in Egypt and Germany, worked with Russian refugees; educational (trade courses) and religious work in Egypt and Germany along the North Sea; assisted Quakers in Germany with food distribution to Russian refugees.

Rev. A. A. Simmons has held pastorates at the Montvale Congregational Church, Woburn, Massachusetts, 1912; 1922, associate pastor of Eliot Congregational Church in Roxbury; 1924, minister of the Congregational Church, Wilmington, Massachusetts. Mr. Simmons was ordained at Woburn, September 17, 1912. Rev. A. A. Simmons is a lineal descendant of John and Priscilla Alden of the Mayflower (1620). He is a Mason and an honorary member of the American Legion.

William Francis Simmons (9), [Edward (8), Rev. George Frederick (7), William (6), Elisha (5), Joshua (4), Ebenezer (3), Aaron (2), Moses (1)] known in artists' circles as Will Simmons, the son of Edward Emerson and Vesta (Schollenberger) Simmons, was born in Elche, Spain, June 4, 1884. Mr. Simmons was educated at the Cheam School, (Prep.) England, St. Paul's School, Concord, N.H., Harvard College, 1901-02, and his art education at Julian Academy, Paris, France, 1904-7.

Mr. Simmons is a writer on wild life as well as an etcher, sculptor and painter. He has contributed articles to the Art and Decorator, American Forest and Forest Life, The Christian Science Monitor and Mentor; also etchings for books, among them one for the autobiography of his father, the famous American mural painter, illustrator for the Bird Study Book by Thomas G. Pearson and for My Garden, by L. B. Permanent exhibition of Mr. Simmons' work may be found at the Bibliotheque Nationale, Paris, France, the New York Public Library, Library of Congress, U.S. National Museum, Washington, D.C., and at the Corcoran Gallery. In 1928, he was awarded the Best First Prize for etching at Brooklyn Museum. In 1910, Mr. Simmons was married at Paris, France, to Miss Teresa Ludovica Cerutti of Turin, Italy. During the World War, Mr. Simmons was in (1917-19) the Censorship Service U.S., New York. He is a democrat and belongs to the following societies: Brookline Society of Etchers, (Its secretary in 1929) Chicago Society of Etchers and Print-Makers of California. (See Who's Who in America, 1930-31)

George Bradford Simmons (9), [Edward (8), Rev. George F. (7), William (6), Elisha (5), Joshua (4), Ebenezer (3), Aaron (2), Moses (1)] the son of Edward Emerson and Vesta (Schollenberger) Sim-

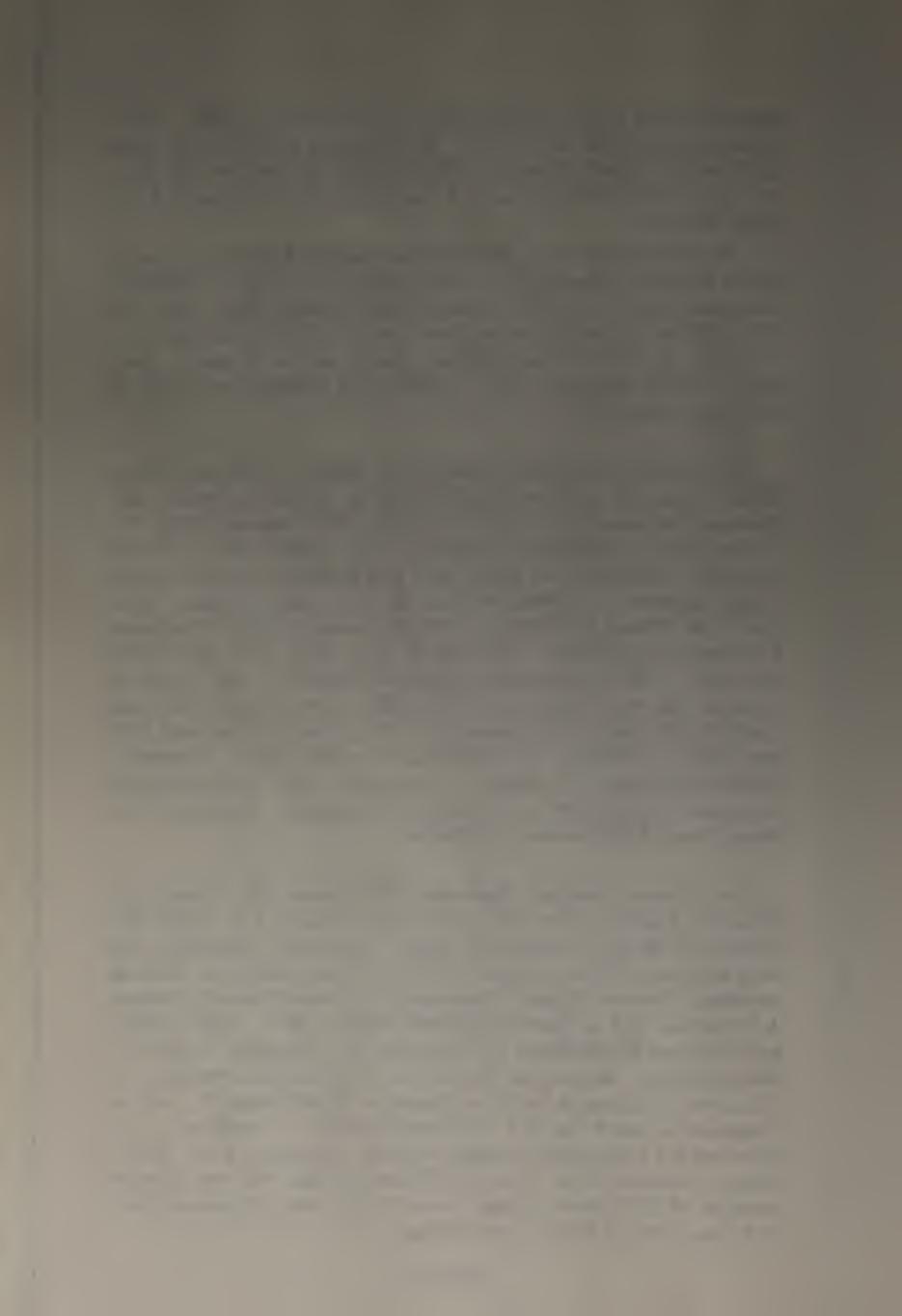


mons, was born in St. Ives, Cornwall, England, Dec. 6, 1886. Graduated from Harvard, A.B., 1907. Mr. Simmons was for a time with the Proctor & Gamble Company, Philadelphia, Pa., and is now vice-president and general manager of the Rolland Park Company, Baltimore, Maryland.

On February 23, 1911, Mr. Simmons married Miss Georgia Swindell in Baltimore, Maryland, and they have five children; Bradford Simmons, born Dec. 9, 1911, Edward Hall Simmons, born Feb. 14, 1914, William Emmet Simmons, born June 16, 1915, Julian Simmons, born Dec. 13, 1916 at Boston, Mass., Sarah Alden Simmons, born Jan. 1, 1921 at Richmond, Va., his first three children were born at Baltimore, Maryland.

William Marvin Simmons, the son of Marvin Lewis and Nellie (Bush) Simmons, was born April 20, 1885 at Stanwood, Iowa. Mr. Simmons was educated at Cornell College, (B.S. degree, 1906), Mt. Vernon, Iowa, at Harvard University, L.L.B. degree, 1911. He was admitted to the California Bar in 1911 and began the practice of law in legal department of Western Pacific Ev. Co., San Francisco; practiced with William C. Crillender, 1912-14; partner of firm of Crillender & Simmons from 1914-17. He was in U.S. army from May 1917-July 1919. He was honorably discharged from army with grade of Captain. He was a member of the firm Bell, Brocknen and Simmons from 1919-24; Bell and Simmons since 1924; Dean of Hastings College of Law, University of California, since 1925. Clubs: University, Olympic, and Legal Aid Society. Unmarried. Mr. Simmons' ancestors came from the New York branch of their family. Residence, 1717 Jones Street, San Francisco, California.

Dr. James Greenleaf Simmons (10) [James (9), James (8), John (7), Abel (6), Abel (5), Isaac (4), William (3), John (2), Moses (1)] the son of James and Helen (Greenleaf) Simmons; was born at Grinnell, Iowa, October 16, 1894. Was educated at Grinnell Academy; Pomona College, Claremont, California; Grinnell College, A.B. degree, 1916, at Harvard Medical School, M.D. degree, 1923, and two years House Officer at Worcester City Hospital, Worcester, Massachusetts. During the World War, Dr. Simmons served in the U.S. Army, training at the Naval Station at Great Lakes, Ill., and as Corpsman on board the U.S. Princess Matoika, a transport. Dr. Simmons is a great-great-grandson of John Simmons, A.B., A.M., Brown University, Hon. A.M., Middlebury College, who was 19 years treasurer of Middlebury College, a son of Prof. James Simmons, Dept. of Philosophy and Ethics, Iowa College.

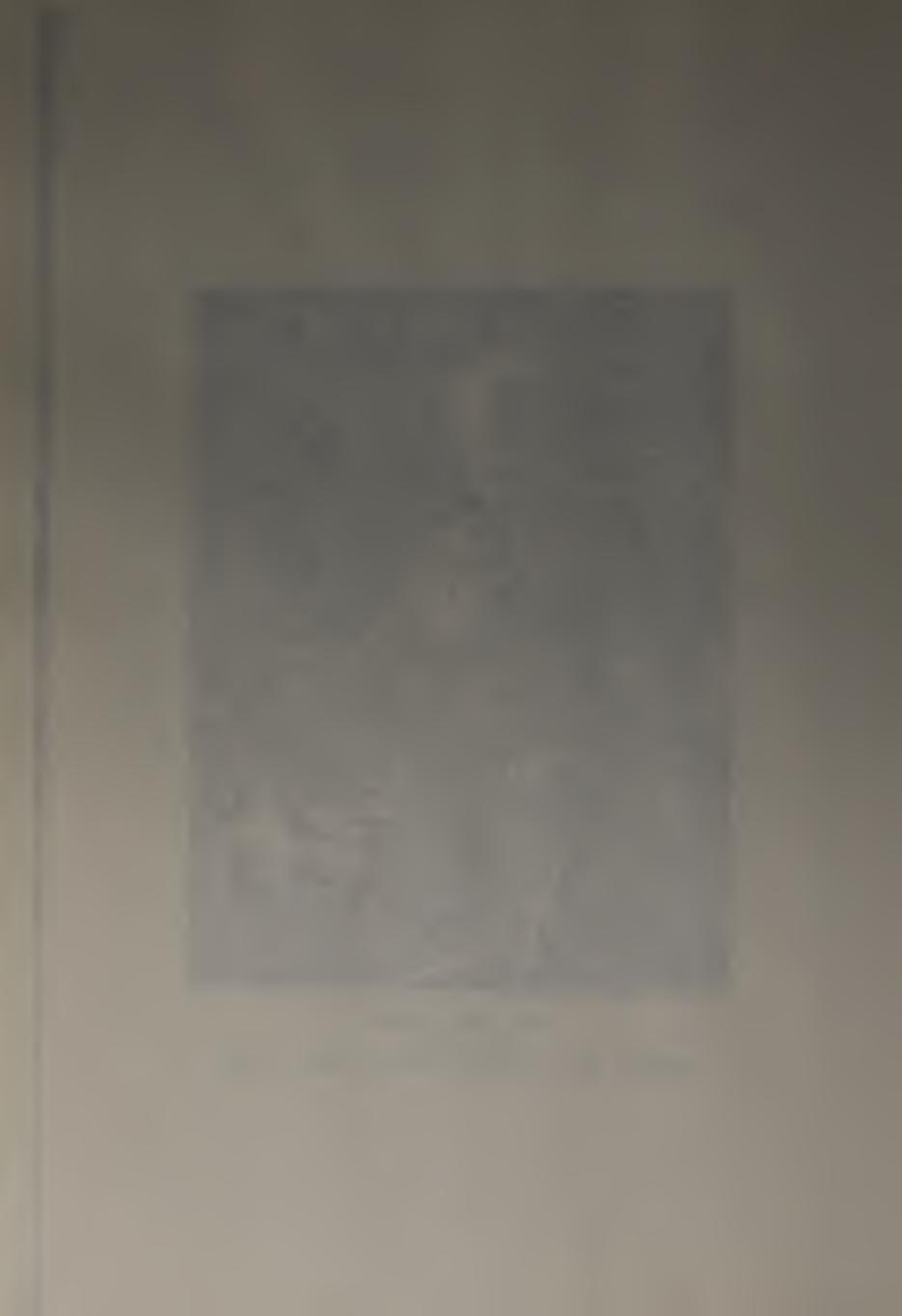




ANNE MARIA BROWN

(Mrs. Simmons)

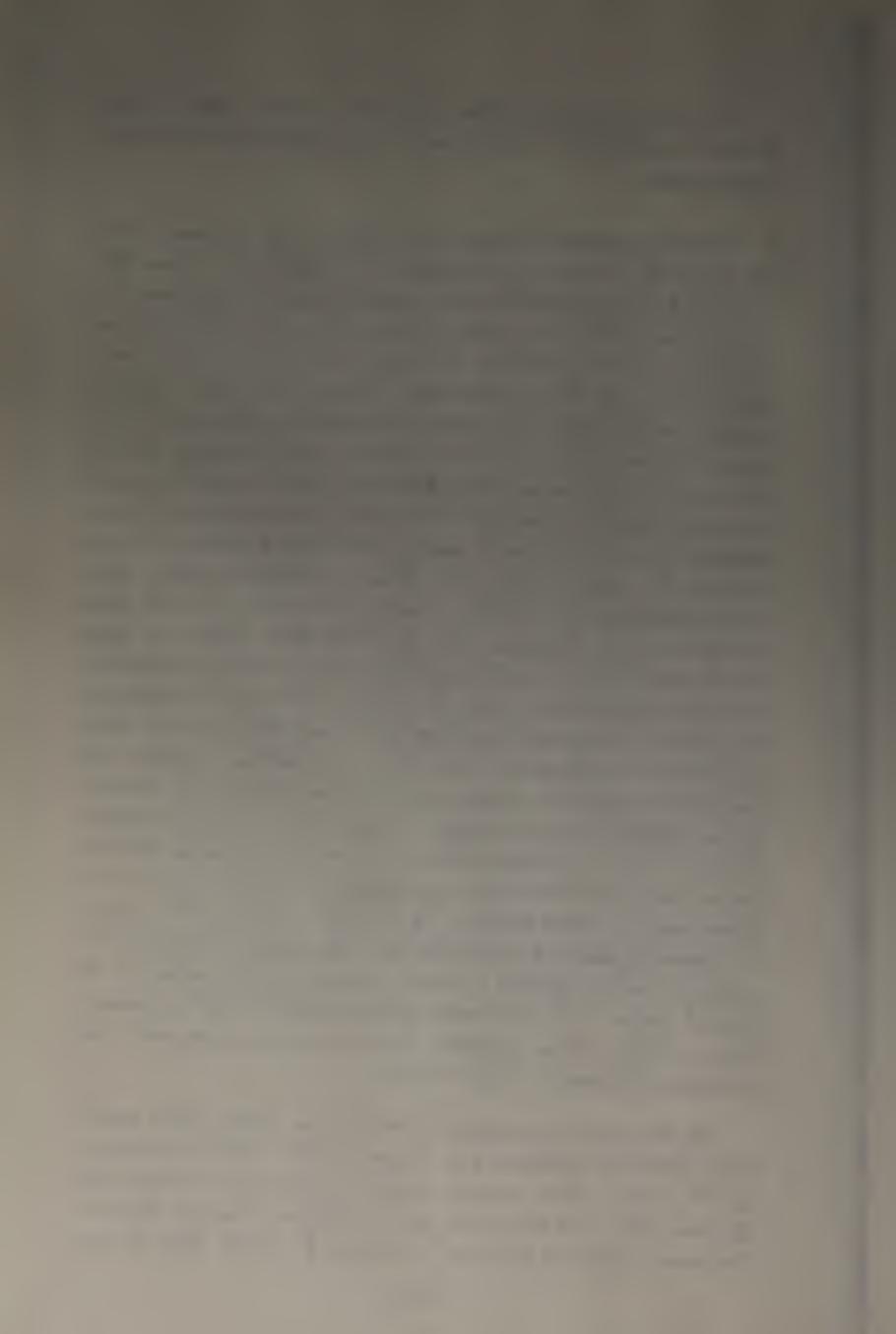
Mother of one Harvard graduate and grandmother of another



Dr. Simmons married Helen Josephine Cantwell Ashby of Des Moines, June 24,1920. Dr. Simmons is now practicing at Fitchburg, Massachusetts.

Frederick Johnson Simmons (9), [Nahum (8), Nathaniel (7), Col. James (6), Joseph (5), Nathaniel (4), Joseph (3), John (2), Moses (1)], the son of Nahum and Annie M. (Brown) Simmons, was born at Knox, Waldo Co., Maine, May 23, 1884. His Simmons ancestor was one of the Pilgrims at Leyden, Holland and came from there to Plymouth, Mass., in the ship "Fortune" in 1621. his other lineal ancestors, are Captain Miles Standish, John and Priscilla Alden, Thomas Rogers, Dr. Samuel Fuller, Stephen Hopkins, Richard Warren, and thirteen others of the Mayflower, 1620; he is also descended from Alice Carpenter Southworth, the second wife of Governor William Bradford, Kenelin Winslow (2 lines), the brother of Governor Edward Winslow, Rev. Samuel Fuller, first minister, Middleboro, Mass., Rev. James MacGregor, first minister, Londonderry, N.H., Deacon John Hall of Coventry, England, Rev. Gresham Hall, Cape Cod, John Phinney and Isaac Pierce of King Phillips War; Constant Southworth of Pequin Indian attacks and assistant to Governor of Plymouth; Capt. Abial Pierce of the French and Indian and Revolutionary Wars, who saw (as aide de camp) on the Plains of Abraham (Quebec) the death of General Wolfe; Captain John Phinney, founder of Gorham, Maine; Captain William Cannedy, defender of the fort at St. George's River in 1723; Col. Edmund Phinney, who was in the siege of Boston and served under Washington, representative to the General Court of Massachusetts; Joseph Simmons of the Revolutionary War and of Col. James Simmons of the War of 1812. The brother of Mr. Simmons' mother is the Hon. Arthur I. Brown, for many years secretary of the State of Maine. Mr. Simmons' brother, Captain Hugh L. Simmons, M.D., a Tuft's College graduate, is the well-known physician and specialist of Worcester, Massachusetts.

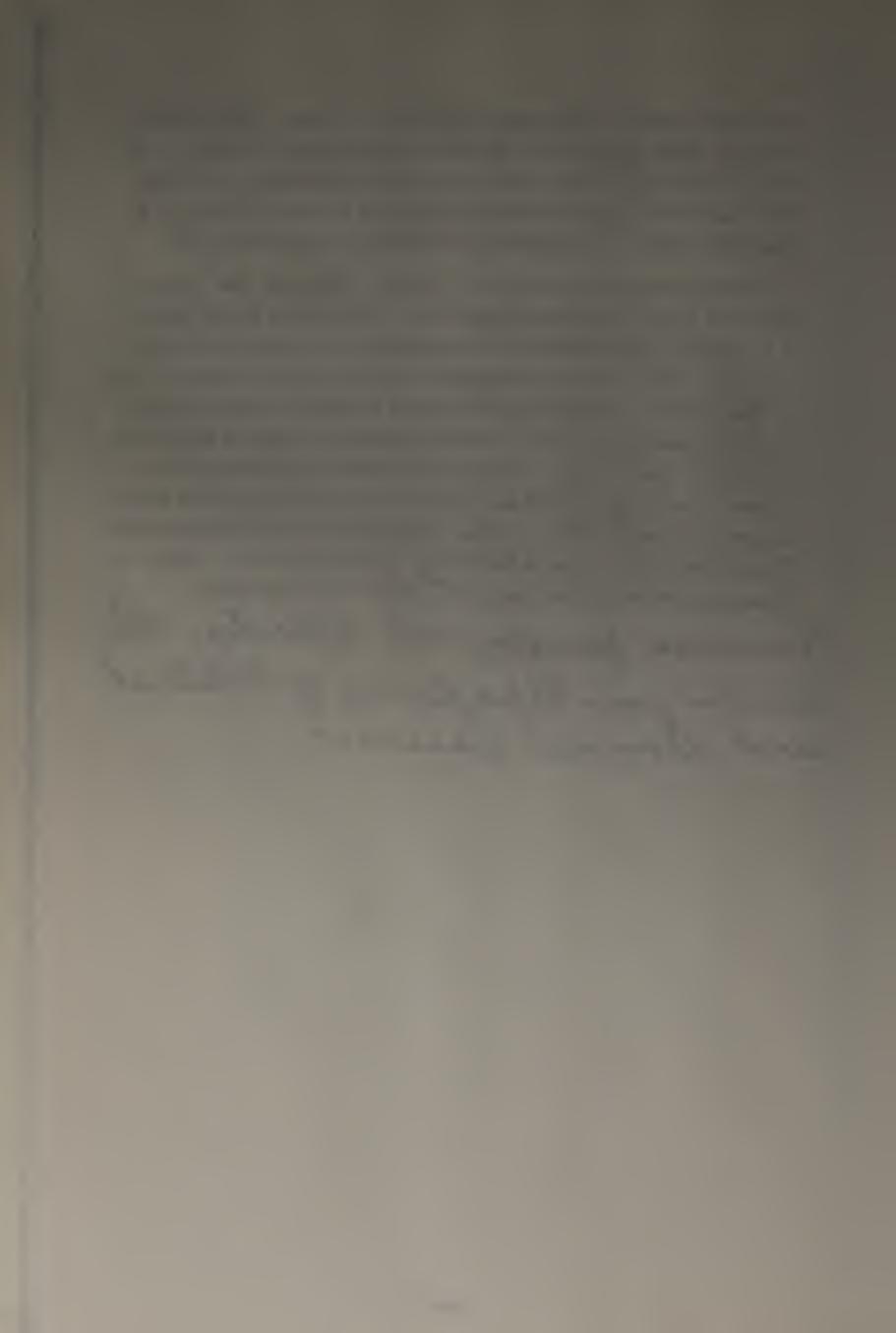
Mr. Simmons was educated at the Camden, Maine, High School, 1903, University of Maine, B.A. degree in 1906, Harvard University, Ed. M. degree, 1925, summer sessions, University of Cambridge, England, 1929. He has taught at the Higgins Classical Institute, Charleston, Maine; as Principal of George F. Hatch High School;



Partridge Academy; Sub-master West Haven, Conn., High School; Principal, Hale High School; Merrimac High School; Foxboro High School; Dover, Mass. High School; Instructor of Sociology, New Hampshire State Normal School, (Teachers College) (Class A), Keene, N.H. since 1925, Head of the Department of Social Sciences since 1928.

Mr. Simmons is the compiler of "A Few Lines of the Simmons Family of Maine and Massachusetts," of "The William Brown family, of Cape Cod", "The Pedigree of John Simmons, the founder of Simmons College". He is a sometime member of the High School Masters' Club of Massachusetts, The Economics Club of Boston, The New England Historic Genealogical Society, The Massachusets Society of Mayflower descendants, and is now a member of the Twentieth Century Club of Boston, The Foreign Policy Association (Boston Chapter), The Alden Kindred of America, The St. Alban Lodge A.F.&A.M., Pi Gamma Mu (Honor Fraternity), Kappa Delta Phi, The Society for the Study of Educational Sociology and the Nation Educational Association.

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ESTHER MINERVA SIMMONS
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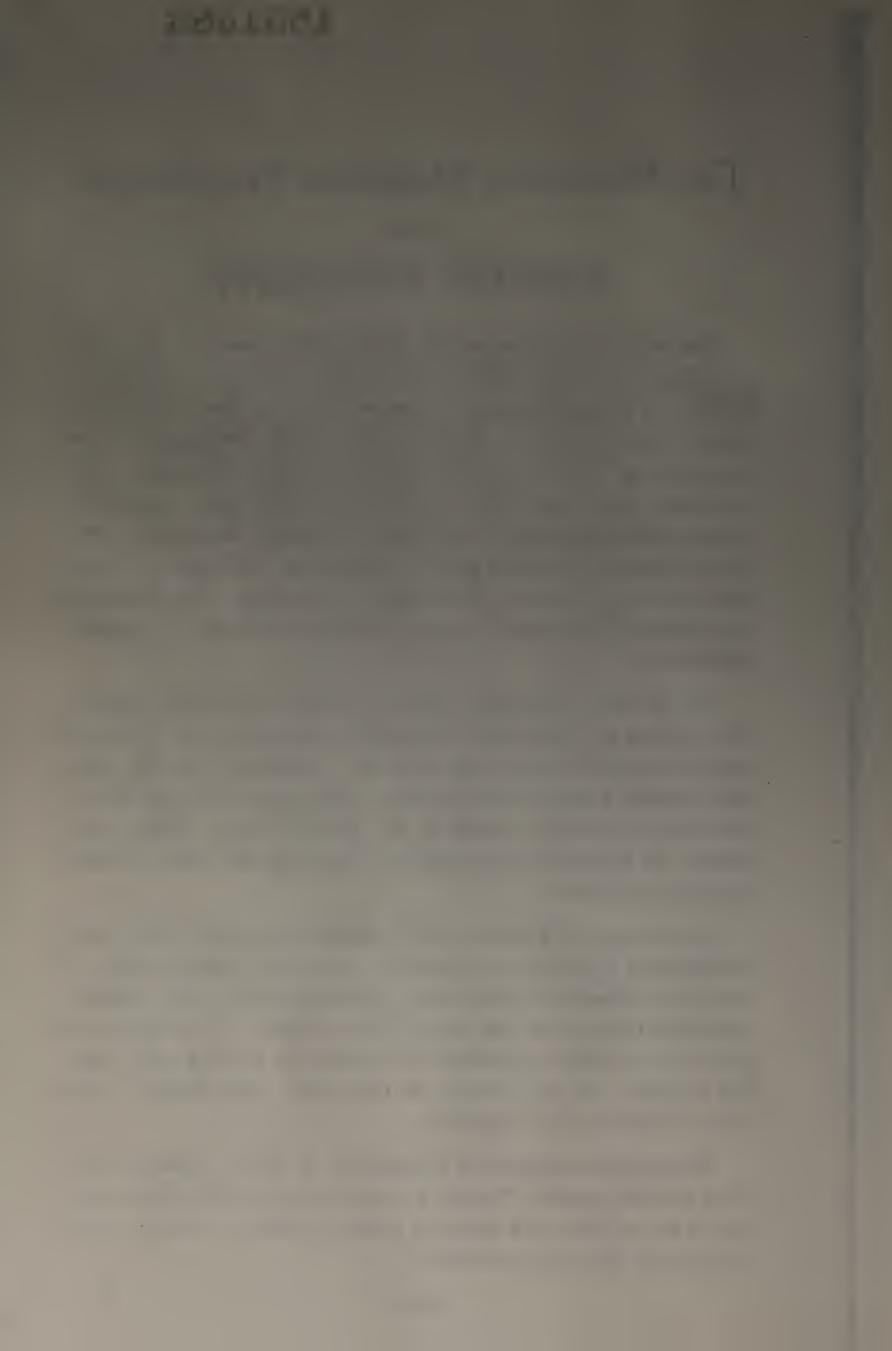
## HARVARD UNIVERSITY

Esther Minerva Simmons (8), [Weston (7), Hezekiah (6), Noah (5), Ichabod (4), Moses (3), John (2), Moses (1)], the daughter of Weston and Esther (Haywood) Simmons, was born November 4, 1846 and died March 17, 1927. She married at North Bridgewater (now Brockton) on October 3, 1871, Thomas Albert Baxendale. Mr. Baxendale was born Feb. 29, 1840 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England, the son of Robert and Hannah (Dawson) Baxendale. Mrs. Esther Simmons Baxendale graduated from the Bridgewater Normal School and taught for some time before her marriage. Mrs. Baxendale is the author of the book, "Yours, With All My Heart," a popular child's story.

Mr. and Mrs. Baxendale were in business, manufacturing boxtoes for boots and shoes, Mrs. Baxendale, managing the office and marketing end of the business while Mr. Baxendale ran the shop. They amassed a large fortune and after 1890, spent the greater part of their time in extensive travel in the United States, British Isles, Europe, the Orient, the Holy Land and four trips and visits to Egypt and the Nile country.

Esther Minerva Simmons (Mrs. Baxendale) about 1923, made arrangements to transfer to Harvard College her summer place of twelve (12) acres on Amrita Island, Catawment, Cape Cod, together with several houses, her own home, "Island Haven", with large and ample funds for the maintenance of the estate for the help and education of people, old and young, on Cape Cod. She termed it the "Lowell Institute" for Cape Cod.

The cherished educational undertaking of Esther Minerva Simmons and her husband, Thomas A. Baxendale, now under the trusteeship of the president and fellows of Harvard College is known as the "Baxendale Memorial Foundation."



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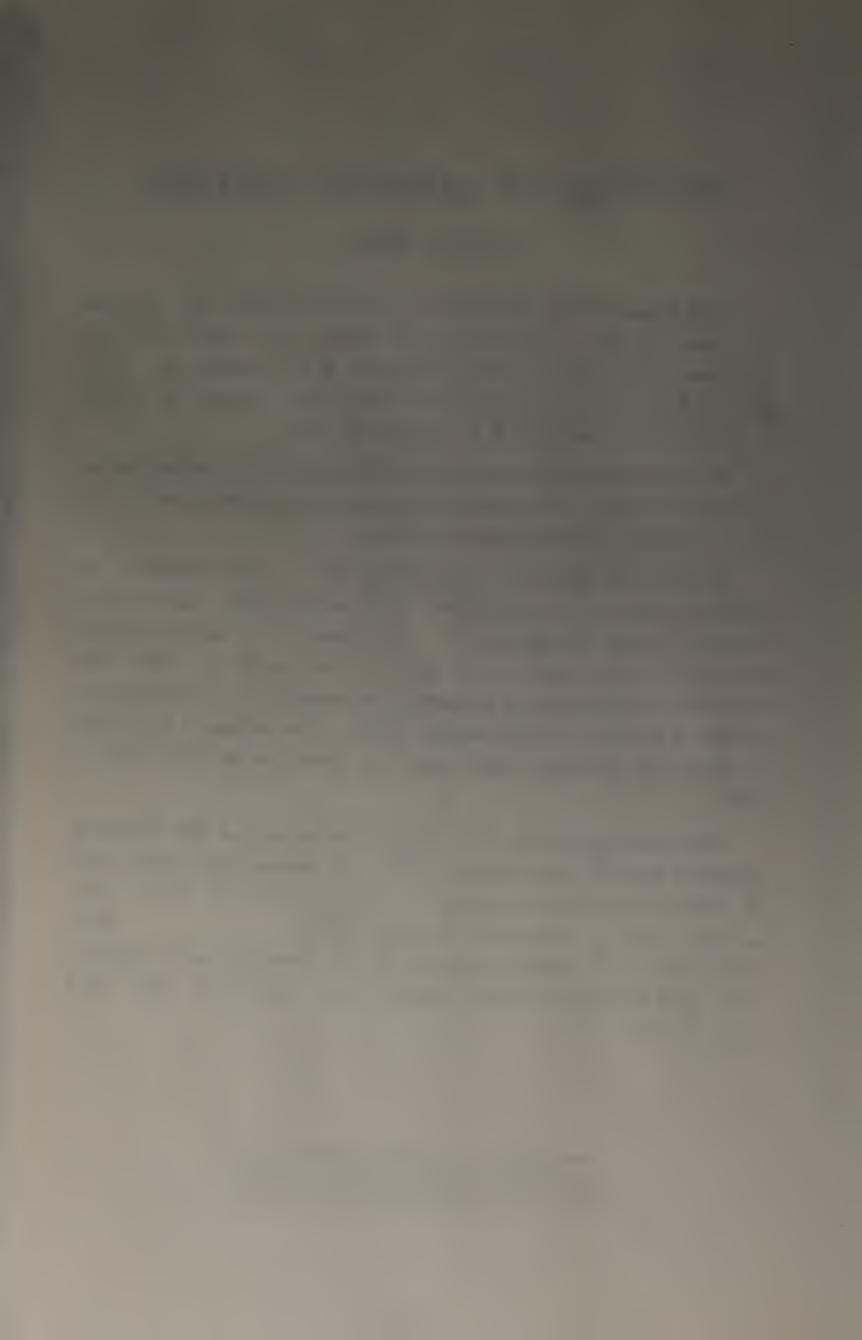
John Simmons (7), [Benoni (6), John (5), Joseph (4), William (3), John (2), Moses (1)], the son of Benoni and Nancy (Bailey) Simmons, was born at Little Compton, R.I., October 30, 1796; married Anne Small of Provincetown, Mass., on October 29, 1818; he died at Little Compton, R.I., August 29, 1870.

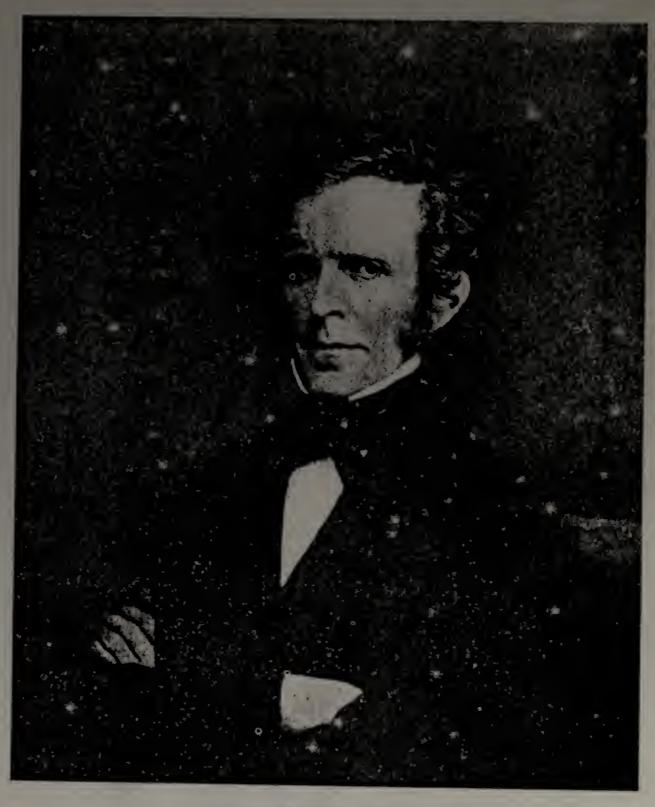
Mr. Simmons was the first man in New England to manufacture ready-made clothes. He made his fortune in this business and in the able management of real estate in Boston.

In 1867, Mr. Simmons made his will, and in this document, he made provisions for the institution which is now known as Simmons College, Boston, Maasachusetts. The amount of money property left by Mr. Simmons at the time of his death in 1870, had increased by 1899 to give a permanent endowment fund for Simmons College of two and one half million dollars. The college is located on the Back Bay Fenways, Boston, and was opened for the first class in 1902.

John Simmons and Anne Small Simmons had the following children: Marion, born October 4, 1819; M. George Ditson, born April 17, 1817; John, born November 14, 1820, died April 6, 1846; Lorenzo, born April 13, 1821, died February 9, 1811; , born February 11, 1824, married Edward White; Theodore, born April 10, 1828, died February 8, 1829; Theodore, born March 22, 1829, died May 13, 1859.

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